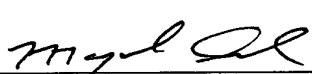
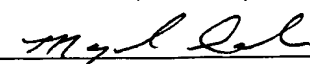


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In response to the Office Action dated April 19, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1-75, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: